

REMARKS

Claims 3 to 21 are pending. Claims 1 to 2 have been canceled, without prejudice to Applicants pursuing in a continuation application. Claim 3 is amended by this paper.

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 11-21 stand allowed.

Claims 3-10 stand objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Claim 3 has been amended to incorporate all the elements of the base claims from which it depended. Withdrawal of this objection is respectfully requested.

In view of the above, it is submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. Reconsideration of the application is requested.

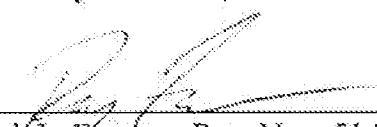
Allowance of claims 3-21, as amended, at an early date is solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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